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I have the honour to transmit the following statement by the Republic of Angola dated 21 November 1994, with the request that this document be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Angolan Government denounces UNITA military activities subsequent to Sunday's peace accord

..Government statement dated 21 November 1994 on the political military situation

1. The Government of the Republic of Angola denounces before domestic and international public opinion the grave situation that exists at this moment in the (provincial capital) city of Uige. At 1000 this morning, UNITA forces under the command of General Antonio Dembo, also Vice-President of the UNITA organization, initiated a large-scale assault to recapture the city. Long-range artillery, in addition to other weapons, has been employed.

2. Yesterday, at the precise moment in which the signing ceremony was taking place in Lusaka, UNITA initiated an attack against the municipality of Cacolo, Lunda Norte Province. The attack was beaten back by the Angolan Armed Forces (FAA).

3. Given the truce violations, the Angolan Armed Forces reserves the right to respond to any offensive actions on the part of UNITA military forces.

4. The Government of the Republic of Angola invites UNITA leaders to take a constructive position and develop efforts that will not frustrate this historic opportunity for Angolan people to live in peace.

5. The Government of Angola calls the attention of the international community to this senseless UNITA attitude that places in danger the implementation of the Lusaka Protocol.